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SUBJ: DEPARTURE OF COMMANDER GENERAL KAULZA DE ARRIAGA

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1. AT LOURENCO MARQUES PRESS CONFERENCE JULY 12 COMMANDING
GENERAL KAULZA DE ARRIAGA ANNOUNCED HIS PENDING DEPARTURE
FROM MOZAMBIQUE. CONCLUDING PARAGRAPH OF HIS FAREWELL STATE-
MENT HINTS AT HIS DISSATISFACTION OVER DEPARTURE. IT STATES:

"AS I SAID IN A RECENT SPEECH, ALTHOUGH I FIND MYSELF WITH
THE SAME SERENITY, THE SAME ENERGY, THE SAME MOTIVATION,
AND, GOD WILLING, THE SAME PHYSICAL HEALTH, THERE ARE CONDI-
TIONS AND DECISIONS BEYOND ME WHICH PREVENT ME FROM CONTINU-
ING HERE."

2. ITALIAN CONSUL GENERAL TOLD ME OF RECENT CONVERSATION HE
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HAD WITH GENERAL KAULZA DE ARRIAGA IN WHICH LATTER SAID

PORTUGUESE MINISTER OF DEFENSE HAD ASKED HIM TO STAY ON FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR, OR IF POSSIBLE UNTIL CABORA BASSA DAM WAS FINISHED IN 1975. DE ARRIAGA SAID HE WOULD DO SO UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS. THESE CONDITIONS WERE NOT MET, HENCE DE ARRIAGA DECIDED TO LEAVE ON SCHEDULE (BY END OF JULY).

3. DE ARRIAGA WAS VAGUE OVER WHAT THESE CONDITIONS WERE BUT ITALIAN CONGEN GATHERED HIS DIFFERENCES WITH LISBON FELL UNDER TWO HEADINGS: A) DIFFERENCE IN STRATEGY AND B) DIFFERENCE OVER AFRICANIZATION OF ARMED FORCES.

4. RE (A), ITALIAN CONGEN DEDUCED, ALTHOUGH DE ARRIAGA DID NOT SAY SO SPECIFICALLY, THAT DE ARRIAGA WAS REFERRING TO CRITICISM FREQUENTLY EXPRESSED IN LISBON AND BY CERTAIN PORTUGUESE ELEMENTS IN MOZAMBIQUE THAT DE ARRIAGA WAS TOO "SOFT" IN HIS CONDUCT OF WAR.

5. RE (B), ITALIAN CONGEN SURMISED THAT DE ARRIAGA AT FIRST WANTED MORE WHITE PORTUGUESE TROOPS FROM METROPOLE AND WHEN THESE WERE NOT FORTHCOMING PERFORCE STARTED HIS PROGRAM OF AFRICANIZATION OF MILITARY FORCES. THIS DISPLEASED LISBON WHICH WELL AWARE OF RISKS INVOLVED IN ARMING SO MANY BLACK TROOPS. (COMMENT: I QUESTION VALIDITY OF POINT (B) AS DE ARRIAGA HAS BEEN CARRYING OUT AFRICANIZATION PROGRAM AT LEAST FOR PAST TWO YEARS.

6. MY BRAZILIAN COLLEAGUE REPORTS DE ARRIAGA TOLD HIM HE HAD BEEN OFFERED AMBASSADORSHIPS IN LONDON AND MADRID BUT HAD TURNED THEM DOWN.

7. COMMENT: TIMING OF DE ARRIAGA ANNOUNCEMENT SEEMS MOST UNFORTUNATE, COMING AS IT DOES DURING PERIOD OF INTENSIFICATION OF FRELIMO ACTIVITY IN TETE, NORTHERN BEIRA AND NORTHERN VILA PEREIRA DISTRICTS, AND DURING STRONG FRELIMO BID FOR INTERNATIONAL ACCEPTANCE AS LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF MOZAMBIQUE PEOPLE. FRELIMO HAS GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY FOR PROPAGANDA EXPLOITATION OF DE ARRIAGA'S DEPARTURE AS "PROOF" OF FAILURE OF HIS EFFORTS TO STEM IRREVERSIBLE FRELIMO TIDE.
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